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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition under 37 CFR §1.136(a) for a two-month extension of time in the above-identified application, up to and including March 11, 2008, to make this reply timely.

In response to the Office Action mailed on October 11, 2007, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 13 of this paper.